

**BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST
WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2015
MINUTES**

MEETING OPENED AT 7:30 P.M. BY MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS.

ALL STOOD FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE.

PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT READ INTO RECORD BY MUNICIPAL CLERK DUGAN:

“IN COMPLIANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 10:4, OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NOTICE WAS GIVEN TO TWO NEWSPAPERS, AND POSTED, THAT A WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED FOR THE FIFTEENTH DAY OF JANUARY, 2015, WITH THE WORK SESSION TO BEGIN AT THE HOUR OF 7:30 P.M. AND THE REGULAR MEETING TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING AT THE LAKEHURST COMMUNITY CENTER, 207 CENTER STREET, LAKEHURST, NEW JERSEY, AT WHICH TIME, THE BUSINESS OF THE BOROUGH WILL BE CONDUCTED.”

ROLL CALL:

ROBIN BUSCH: PRESENT

JAMES DAVIS: ABSENT

COUNCILWOMAN HODGES

MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: PRESENT

GARY LOWE: PRESENT

GLENN MCCOMAS: PRESENT

STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Municipal Clerk Dugan reviewed regular meeting agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 7:32 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:32 p.m.

Council President Oglesby reported that the police department is considering an upgrade to its computer system and would like to utilize \$3,000 remaining in their budget from 2014 toward purchase of the Enforsys system.

All matters to be considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. #15-044: Resolution re: Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #14-00005
2. #15-045: Resolution re: Adjustment to utility account for Block 8; Lot 21
3. #15-046: Resolution re: Adjustment to utility account for Block 59; Lot 6
4. #15-047: Resolution re: Adjustment to utility account for Block 38; Lot 2
5. #15-048: Resolution re: Appointment of Timothy Regan as Code Enforcement Officer
6. #15-049: Resolution re: Appointment of Kenneth Palmer, Esquire as Public Defender
7. #15-050: Resolution re: Appointment of Jason Guide as temporary police officer
8. #15-051: Resolution re: Appointment of Patrick Nurthen as temporary police officer
9. #15-052: Resolution re: Appointment of John Prudhomme as temporary police officer
10. #15-053: Resolution re: Authorizing shared services agreement for Prosecutor's Program FY2015
11. #15-054: Resolution re: Promotion of Police Officer Matthew Kline as sergeant

Motion by: Glenn McComas

Seconded by: Patricia Hodges

To approve consent agenda. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

NEW BUSINESS:

FIRST PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING:

Motion by: Steven Oglesby

Seconded by: Gary Lowe

To open the first public hearing for 2015 Community Development Block Grant funding. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time opened: 7:49 p.m.

Municipal Clerk Dugan stated that the Borough of Lakehurst receives approximately \$37,000 in Community Development Block Grant funding every two years. Ms. Dugan added that in 2013 curb and sidewalk was installed on the west side of Orchard Street between Cedar and Pine Streets.

Time closed: 7:50 p.m.

Motion by: Gary Lowe

Seconded by: Steven Oglesby

To close the first public hearing for 2015 Community Development Block Grant funding. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman McComas reported that he and Councilman Lowe met with Chief Financial Officer Alan Murray to discuss the 2015 municipal budget. Mr. McComas added that departmental budget requests were reviewed and that he is awaiting a draft budget.

Council President Oglesby reported that the details of the AFSCME contract and meeting with school board officials will be discussed in executive/closed session.

Councilwoman Busch reported a Winter Bingo has been scheduled for Friday, January 30th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Community Center for children in grades K through 8.

Mrs. Busch added that a meeting of the Revitalization committee was held on January 12th with the committee seeking additional volunteers.

Mrs. Busch also reported that a new pump has been ordered for the sewer lift station.

Mrs. Busch further reported that the Borough has received correspondence of the awarding of a Hazard Mitigation grant for \$144,000 for a generator for the water treatment plant with the Borough's share being \$7,000.

Mrs. Busch also stated that the other expenses for Public Works are "good" due to the lack of snow removal costs and further stated that training will be scheduled for the employees.

Councilwoman Hodges reported that she attended the recent meeting of the Board of Education and added that James Malden is now the president of the Board. Mrs. Hodges added that the Board of Education meetings are scheduled on the third Tuesday of each month.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Robbins reported that he is glad there has been a lack of snow this winter.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:57 p.m.

Kathy Abrahamsen, 212 Church Street, stated that she is the committee chair for the annual Souper Bowl of Chili contest sponsored by the Borough of Lakehurst Historical Society and asked if there were volunteer judges.

Motion by: Glenn McComas

Seconded by: Steven Oglesby

To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative. Time: 9:42 p.m.

Bernadette Dugan, RMC/CPM
Municipal Clerk